

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /NV/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 EPIC PHARMA LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /NV/ [eltp]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 227-15 NORTH CONDUIT AVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/21/2012

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)

LAURELTON, NY 11413-3134
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 02/21/2012 | | C ⁽¹⁾ | 52,845,528 A | \$ 0 (1) 55,821,718 | I ⁽²⁾ | see footnote (2) |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Series E Convertible Preferred Stock | \$ 0.0246 | 02/21/2012 | | C | 1,300 | 02/21/2012 ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 52,845,52 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EPIC PHARMA LLC 227-15 NORTH CONDUIT AVE LAURELTON, NY 11413-3134 | | X | | |

Signatures

Ram Potti 02/21/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Conversion of Series E Preferred Stock of issuer at the rate of approximately 40,650.41 shares of common for each share of such preferred stock.

The reporting person, Epic Pharma, LLC ("EP"), is an equity owner of Epic Investments, LLC ("EI"), which owns securities convertible into or exercisable for in excess of 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock of the issuer. EP and EI are both owned, wholly or in part, and are operated by Ram Potti, Ashok G. Nigalaye and Jeenarine Narine, each of whom is a director of the issuer. The interest of EP in the securities of the issuer owned by EI is limited, and EP disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except, to the extent of its pecuniary interest in EI.

(3) N/A

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